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Weinberg sum rules, four-quark condensates and chiral symmetry restoration

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Motivation

- QCD has non-trivial vacuum structure
 - ↪ can be characterized by **condensates**
- phase transitions (or rapid crossovers) at finite **temperatures/densities**
 - ↪ changes of **condensates** → **order parameters**
- QCD sum rules connect hadronic properties (spectra)
with quark-gluon properties (perturbation theory + **condensates**)
 - ↪ interest in **four-quark condensates**

Contents

- Generalized Weinberg sum rules and order parameters
- Evaluation of four-quark condensates (large N_c)
- Sizable temperatures and chemical potentials: resonance gas, phase transition

Weinberg sum rules

difference of vector ($\text{Im}R^V$) and axial-vector ($\text{Im}R^A$) spectra
(chiral partners, i.e. connected by chiral transformation)

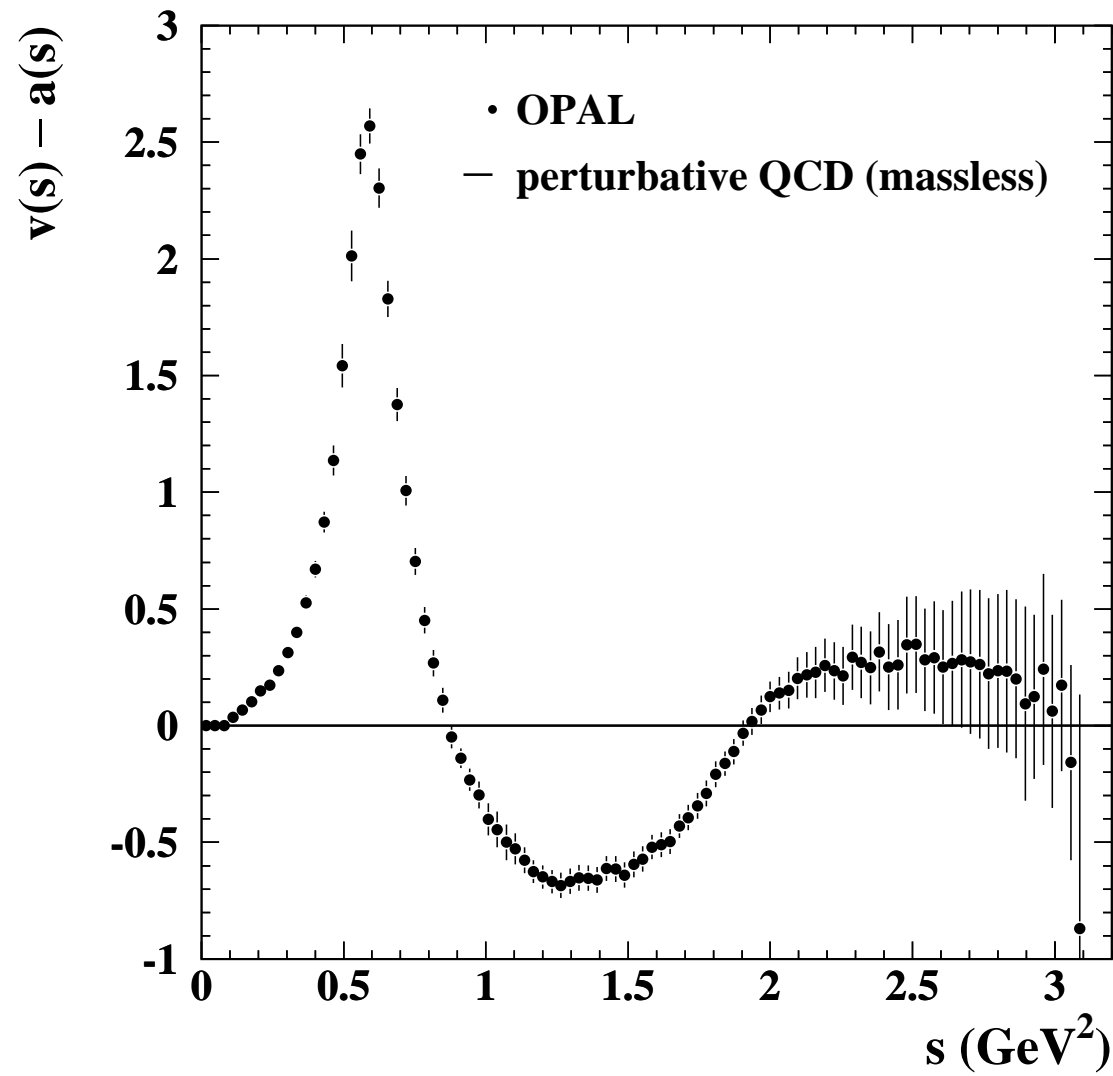
$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} ds \left(\text{Im}R^V(s) - \text{Im}R^A(s) \right) = F_{\pi}^2,$$

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} ds \, s \left(\text{Im}R^V(s) - \text{Im}R^A(s) \right) = 0,$$

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} ds \, s^2 \left(\text{Im}R^V(s) - \text{Im}R^A(s) \right) = -\frac{1}{2} \pi \alpha_s \langle \mathcal{O}_{\chi\text{SB}} \rangle,$$

with four-quark condensate

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_{\chi\text{SB}} \rangle = \langle (\bar{u} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 \lambda^a u - \bar{d} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 \lambda^a d)^2 - (\bar{u} \gamma_{\mu} \lambda^a u - \bar{d} \gamma_{\mu} \lambda^a d)^2 \rangle$$



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- generalization to in-medium situations by Kapusta/Shuryak (1993)

↪ $\langle \mathcal{O}_{\chi\text{SB}} \rangle$ is **order parameter** (somewhat oversimplified ...)

- closer connected to (in principle) measurable quantities (R^V and R^A) than two-quark condensate

↪ How to evaluate **four-quark condensates** in **vacuum** and **medium**?

- typical form: $\langle \bar{q}\Gamma\lambda_a q \bar{q}\Gamma'\lambda_a q \rangle$

with spin-flavor matrices Γ and color Gell-Mann matrices λ_a

↪ Fierz transformations:

rewrite $\langle \bar{q}\Gamma\lambda_a q \bar{q}\Gamma'\lambda_a q \rangle$ as sum of $\langle \bar{q}\Gamma'' q \bar{q}\Gamma''' q \rangle$

- $\bar{q}\Gamma q$ connected to **hadronic states**

- vacuum: factorization assumption

$$\langle 0 | \bar{q} \Gamma q \bar{q} \Gamma' q | 0 \rangle = \langle 0 | \bar{q} \Gamma q | 0 \rangle \langle 0 | \bar{q} \Gamma' q | 0 \rangle \quad (- \text{ exchange terms})$$

- intuitive (mean-field approximation)
- justified in **large- N_c** limit (N_c : number of colors) [Novikov et al, 1984]
- in practice: matter of debate

- finite (low) **temperature**: medium described by pions, use current algebra

↗ finite-temperature four-quark condensates **do not** factorize
[Eletsky 1993, Hatsuda et al 1993]

↪ other in-medium situations? (factorization would be useful)

strategy: study in-medium four-quark condensates at large N_c

- understand non-factorization at finite (low) **temperatures**
- figure out what happens for other in-medium situations

common practice: evaluate in-medium condensates in linear-density approximation

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle_{\text{med.}} \approx \langle 0 | \mathcal{O} | 0 \rangle + \sum_X \rho_X \langle X | \mathcal{O} | X \rangle$$

— density of medium-constituents ρ_X

— **temperature**: $X = \pi$, **baryon density**: $X = N$, **more general**: resonance gas

physical decomposition (and vacuum factorization):

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \bar{q}\Gamma q \bar{q}\Gamma' q \rangle_{\text{med.}} &\approx \langle 0 | \bar{q}\Gamma q | 0 \rangle \langle 0 | \bar{q}\Gamma' q | 0 \rangle \\ &+ \rho_X \left(\langle X | \bar{q}\Gamma q | X \rangle \langle 0 | \bar{q}\Gamma' q | 0 \rangle + \langle 0 | \bar{q}\Gamma q | 0 \rangle \langle X | \bar{q}\Gamma' q | X \rangle \right) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{scatterer} \\ + \text{spectator} \end{array} \right. \\ &+ \rho_X \left(\langle X | \bar{q}\Gamma q | 0 \rangle \langle 0 | \bar{q}\Gamma' q | X \rangle + \langle 0 | \bar{q}\Gamma q | X \rangle \langle X | \bar{q}\Gamma' q | 0 \rangle \right) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{annihilation} \\ + \text{creation} \end{array} \right. \\ &+ \rho_X \langle X | \bar{q}\Gamma q \bar{q}\Gamma' q | X \rangle_{\text{connected}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{true} \\ \text{scattering} \end{array} \right. \end{aligned}$$

note: last two lines **spoil factorization**

large- N_c evaluation [t Hooft, Witten]: distinguish **baryons (B)** and **mesons (M)**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \bar{q}\Gamma q \bar{q}\Gamma' q \rangle_{\text{med.}} &\approx \langle 0 | \bar{q}\Gamma q | 0 \rangle \langle 0 | \bar{q}\Gamma' q | 0 \rangle && O(N_c^2) \\
 + \rho_X \left(\langle X | \bar{q}\Gamma q | X \rangle \langle 0 | \bar{q}\Gamma' q | 0 \rangle + \langle 0 | \bar{q}\Gamma q | 0 \rangle \langle X | \bar{q}\Gamma' q | X \rangle \right) &&& \left\{ \begin{array}{l} O(N_c) \text{ for } X = M \\ O(N_c^2) \text{ for } X = B \end{array} \right. \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

↪ **no** factorization at finite (low) **temperatures** = pion gas
(due to annihilation/creation terms)

↪ **factorization justified** in **baryon dominated** medium
(annihilation/creation terms vanish)

Sizable **temperatures** and **chemical potentials**:
resonance gas

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_{\chi\text{SB}} \rangle_{\text{med.}} \approx \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}_{\chi\text{SB}} | 0 \rangle + \sum_{X=\text{res.}} \rho_X \langle X | \mathcal{O}_{\chi\text{SB}} | X \rangle$$

recall:

- meson contributions **subleading** in $1/N_c$

$$\langle M | \mathcal{O}_{\chi\text{SB}} | M \rangle = o(N_c)$$

- baryon contributions in **leading** order, **factorization** possible

$$\langle B | \mathcal{O}_{\chi\text{SB}} | B \rangle = O(N_c^2)$$

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_{\chi\text{SB}} \rangle_{\text{med.}} \approx 8 \langle \bar{q}q \rangle_{\text{vac}}^2 \left(1 - \sum_{X=B} \frac{2\sigma_X \rho_X}{F_\pi^2 M_\pi^2} \right)$$

- with **sigma terms** defined by

$$\sigma_X = 2m_q \langle X | \bar{q}q | X \rangle$$

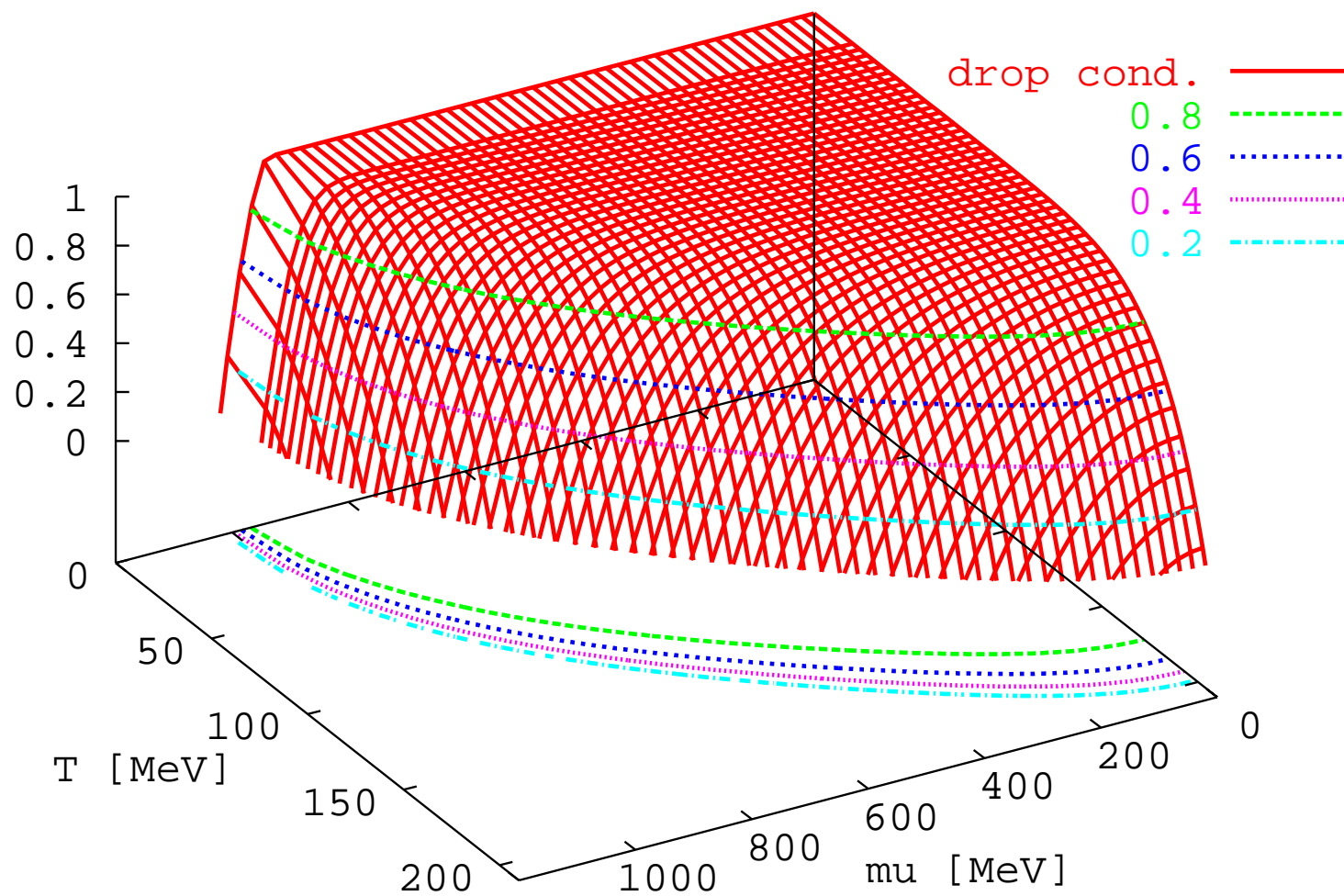
- estimate for sigma terms (Gerber/Leutwyler):

non-relativistic quark model: $\bar{q}q \rightarrow q^\dagger q$

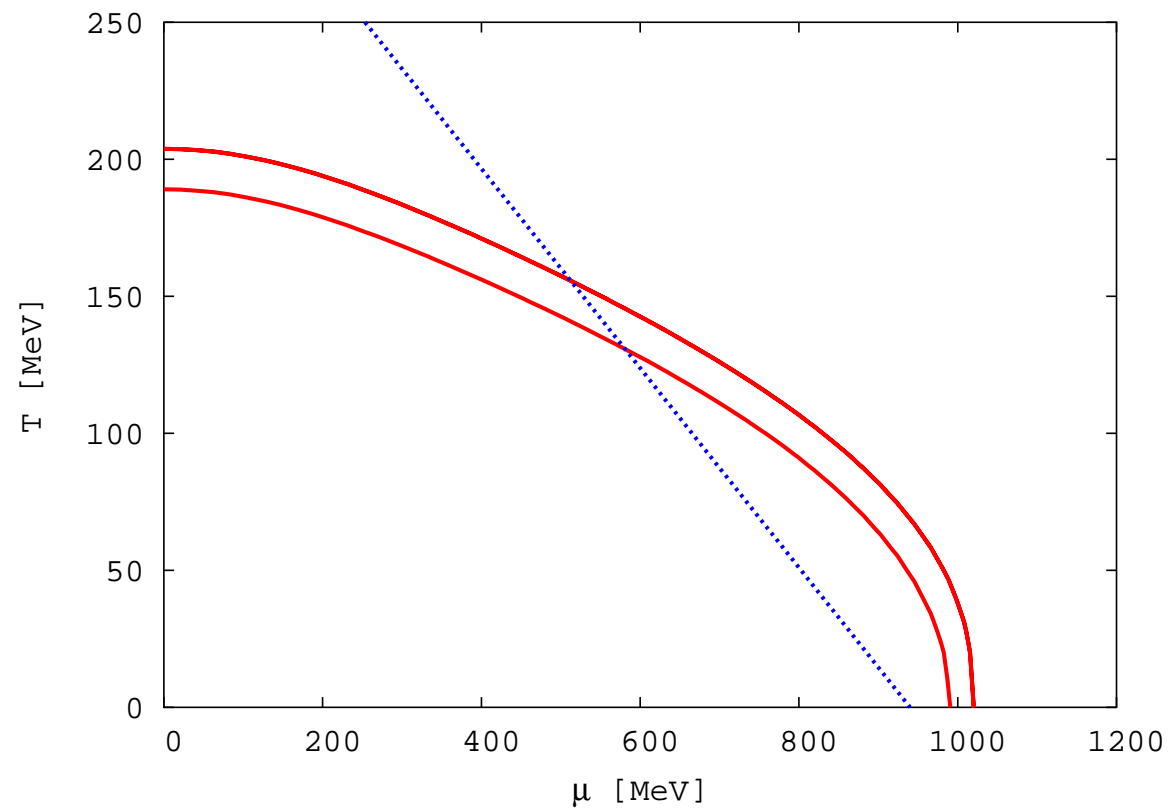
$$\sigma_X \approx m_q \langle X | u^\dagger u + d^\dagger d | X \rangle = m_q (N_c - N_s)$$

- underestimates σ_N by about **factor of 2**

\rightsquigarrow **uncertainty**

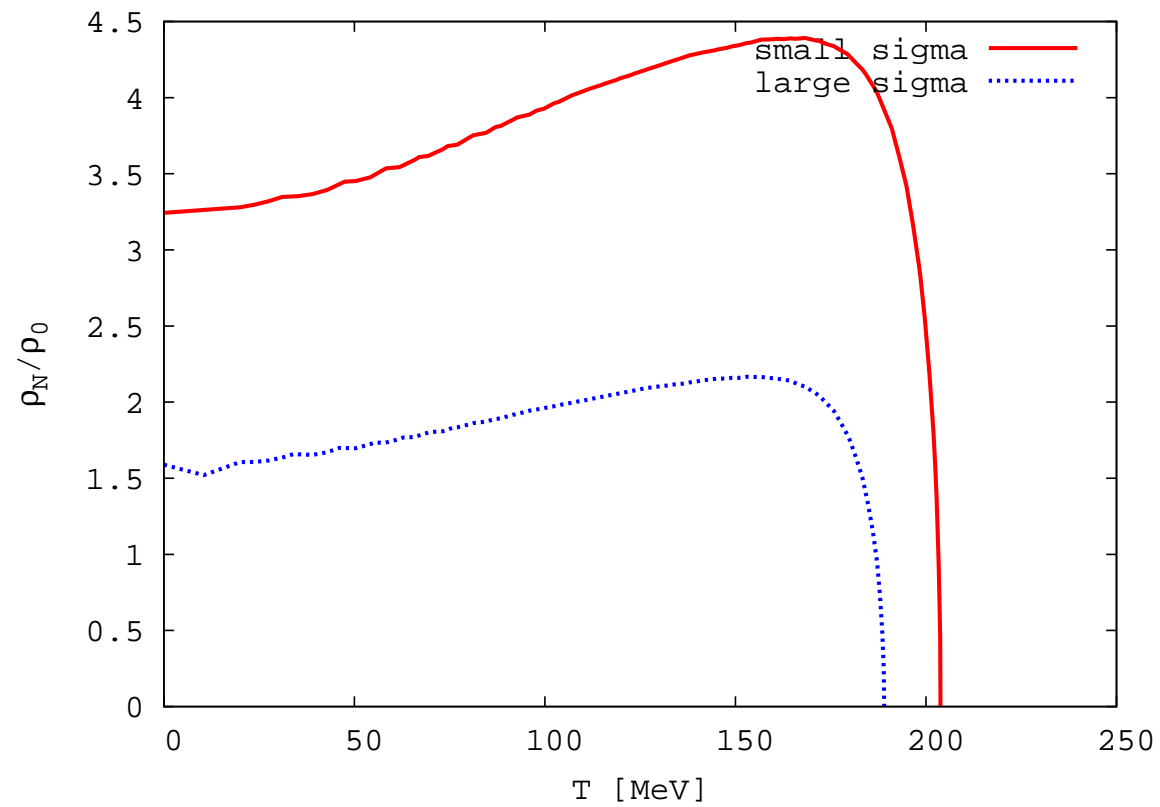


transition line



reasonable to the right of blue line (baryon dominated)

net density along transition line



Summary

- consistent picture for large number of colors
(see also [S.L., Phys. Lett. B616, 203, 2005]):
factorization assumption true for vacuum and baryon dominated systems,
no factorization for finite temperatures
- important ingredient: physical interpretation of different terms
- uncertainty estimates \rightsquigarrow O.K. (not shown here)
- resonance gas approximation for sizable temperature and chemical potential

↪ phase transition line



- especially relevant for CBM at GSI

additional slides

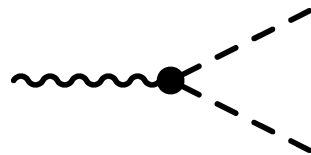
Fierz transformation for condensate which appears in generalized Weinberg SR

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& 2 \langle \underbrace{(\bar{u}u + \bar{d}d)}_{\sim f_0(\sigma)}^2 \rangle + 2 \langle \underbrace{(\bar{u}i\gamma_5 u - \bar{d}i\gamma_5 d)}_{\sim \pi^0}^2 \rangle - 8 \langle \underbrace{\bar{u}i\gamma_5 d}_{\sim \pi^-} \bar{d}i\gamma_5 u \rangle \\
& + 2 \langle \underbrace{(\bar{u}i\gamma_5 u + \bar{d}i\gamma_5 d)}_{\sim \eta, \eta'}^2 \rangle + 2 \langle \underbrace{(\bar{u}u - \bar{d}d)}_{\sim \delta^0}^2 \rangle - 8 \langle \underbrace{\bar{u}d}_{\sim \delta^-} \bar{d}u \rangle \\
& - \frac{2}{N_c} \langle \underbrace{(\bar{u}\gamma_\mu\gamma_5 u - \bar{d}\gamma_\mu\gamma_5 d)}_{\sim \pi^0, a_1^0}^2 - \underbrace{(\bar{u}\gamma_\mu u - \bar{d}\gamma_\mu d)}_{\sim \rho^0}^2 \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

large- N_c scaling [’t Hooft 1974, Witten 1979]

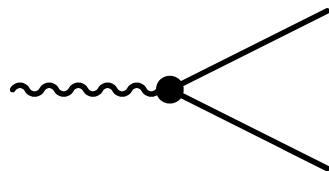
- meson: $q\bar{q}$ state; mass $O(N_c^0)$ 
- baryon: N_c quarks; mass $O(N_c)$ 
- ratio of quark current $\bar{q}\Gamma q$ and corresponding hadronic field $O(N_c^{1/2})$
- mesonic interactions **suppressed**:

e.g.

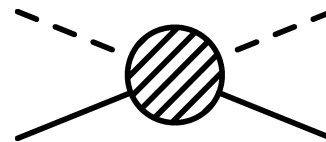


$$O(N_c^{-1/2})$$

- meson-baryon interactions **not** suppressed:



$$O(N_c^{1/2});$$



$$O(N_c^0)$$

Uncertainty estimates

- **pion gas**: exact calculations possible using current algebra
(and vacuum factorization) (Eletsky, Hatsuda/Koike/Lee (1992))

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↪ \approx **10% correction**

- **nucleon gas**: recall Fierz transformation

↪ corrections come from **meson-nucleon scattering**

↪ can estimate at least **pion contribution** and compare to factorized part
(in-medium generalization of estimate of Shifman et al.)

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$$4 \langle N | \bar{u} u + \bar{d} d | N \rangle \langle \bar{u} u + \bar{d} d \rangle_{\text{vac}}$$

$$+ 2 \langle N | \underbrace{(\bar{u} i \gamma_5 u - \bar{d} i \gamma_5 d)^2}_{\sim \pi^0} | N \rangle - 8 \langle N | \underbrace{\bar{u} i \gamma_5 d}_{\sim \pi^-} \bar{d} i \gamma_5 u | N \rangle$$

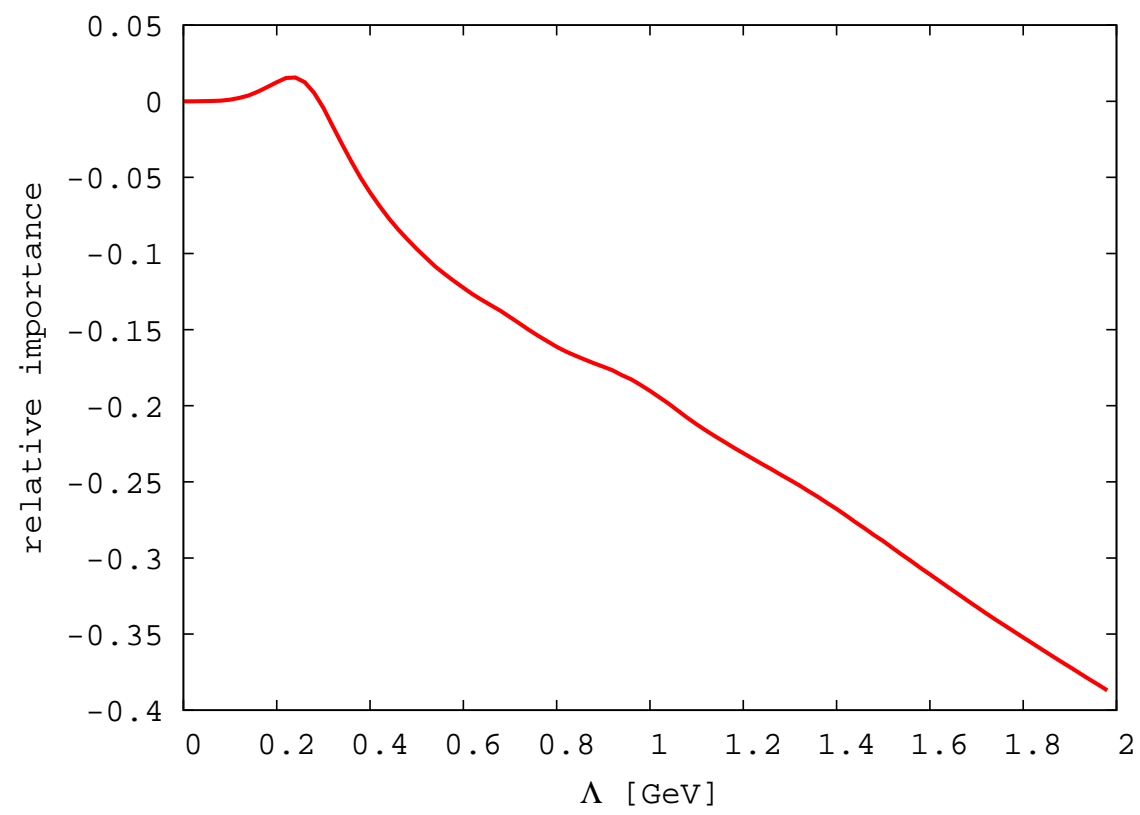
+ contributions from other mesons

⟶ estimate correction to large- N_c result by pionic contribution:

$$\frac{2 \langle N | (\bar{u} i \gamma_5 u - \bar{d} i \gamma_5 d)^2 | N \rangle - 8 \langle N | \bar{u} i \gamma_5 d \bar{d} i \gamma_5 u | N \rangle}{4 \langle N | \bar{u} u + \bar{d} d | N \rangle \langle \bar{u} u + \bar{d} d \rangle_{\text{vac}}}$$

⟶ pion-nucleon scattering integrated over all momenta (condensate is local)

⟶ depends on cutoff/separation between non-perturbative and perturbative regime



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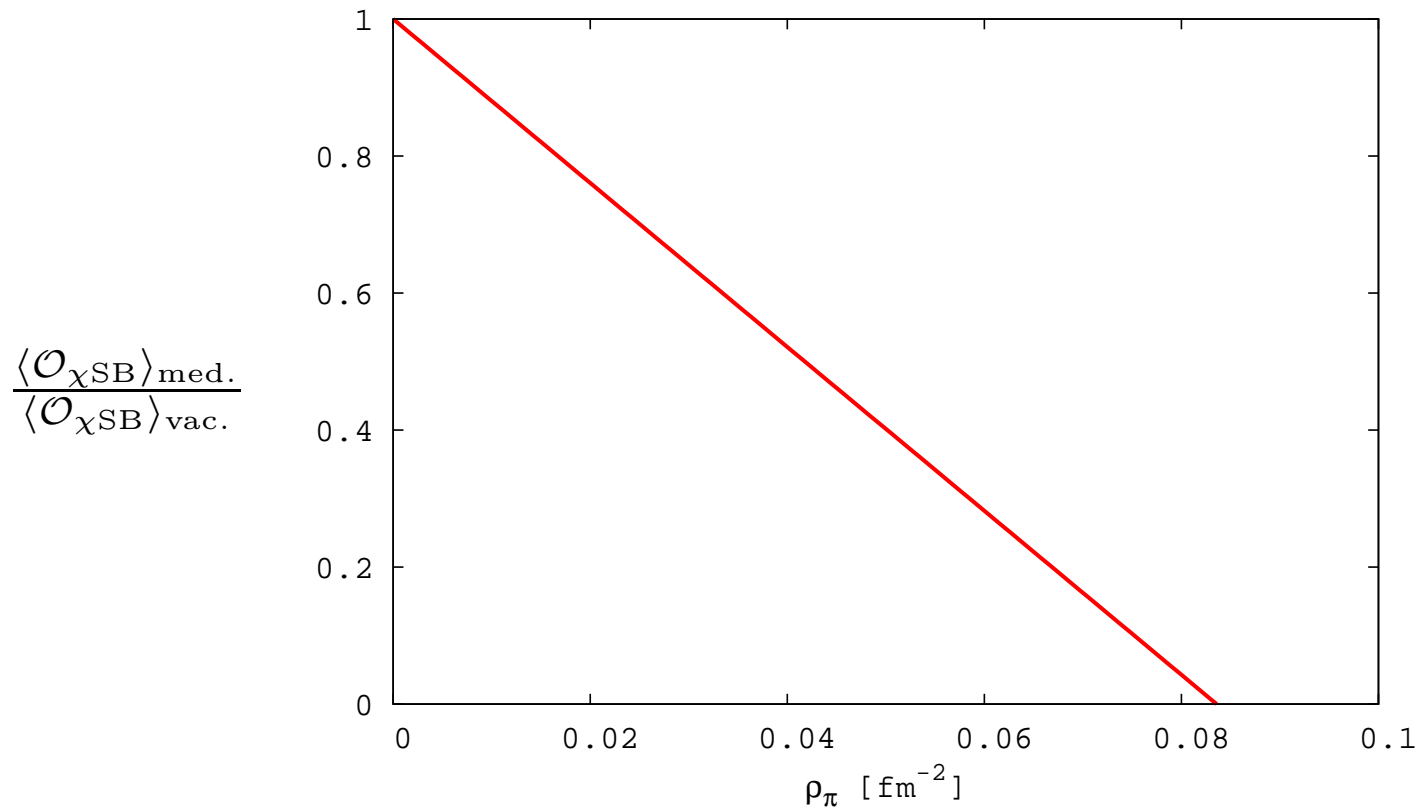
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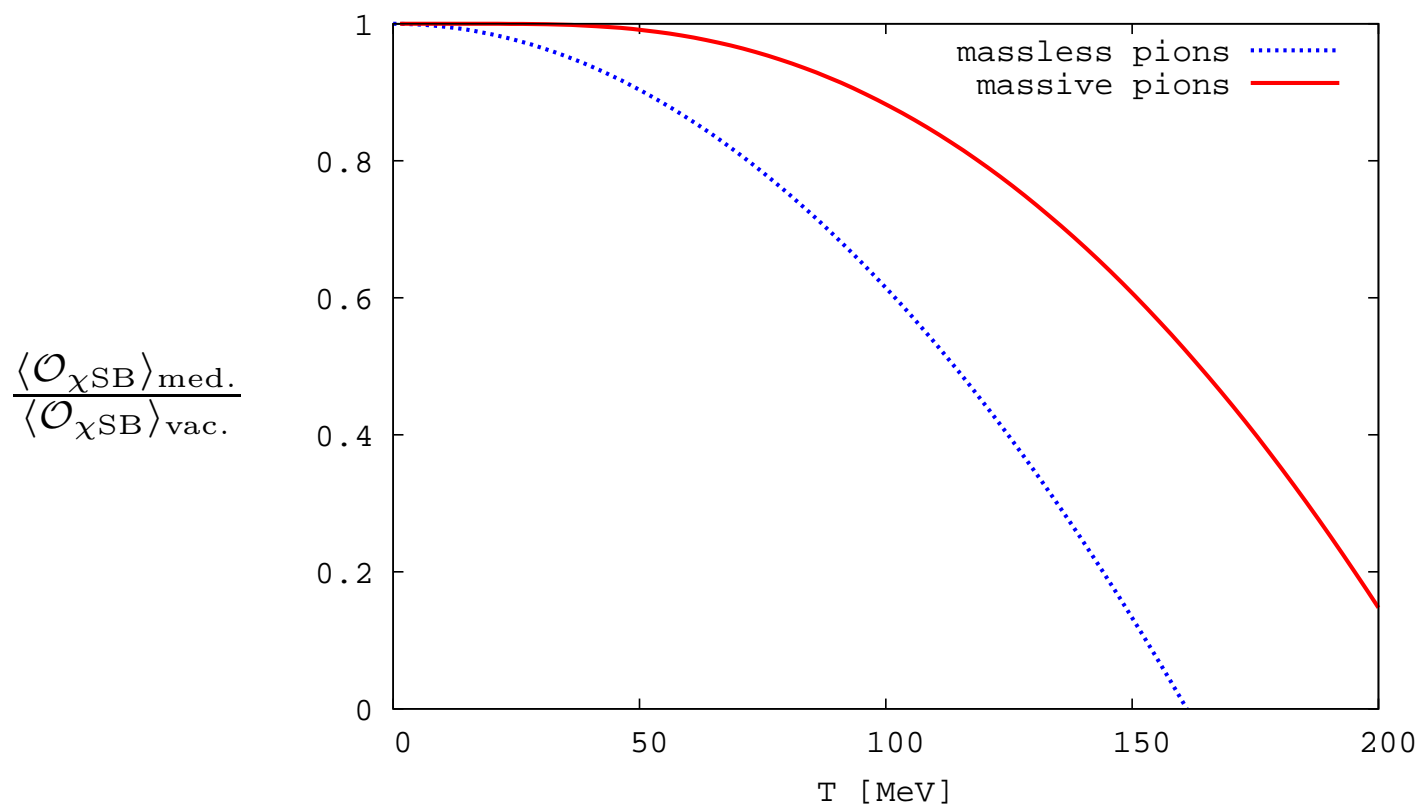
↪ at most **20% correction**

Low **temperatures**: pion gas

drop of condensate as function of **pion density**



drop of condensate as function of temperature



Finite **baryo-chemical potential**: nucleon gas

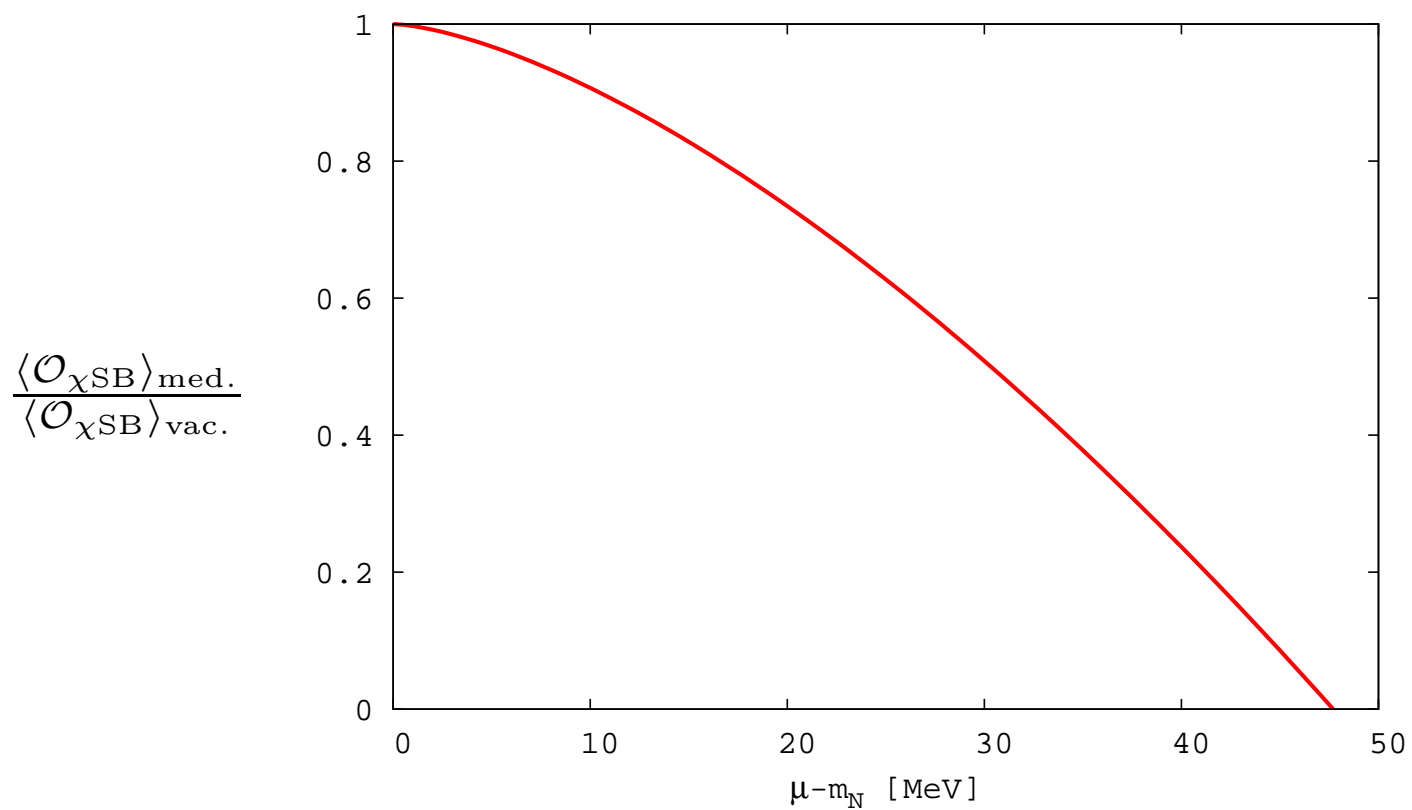
recall: here factorization possible at **large** N_c

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_{\chi\text{SB}} \rangle_{\text{nuclear med.}} = 8 \langle \bar{q}q \rangle_{\text{vac}}^2 \left(1 - \frac{2\sigma_N \rho_N}{F_\pi^2 M_\pi^2} \right)$$

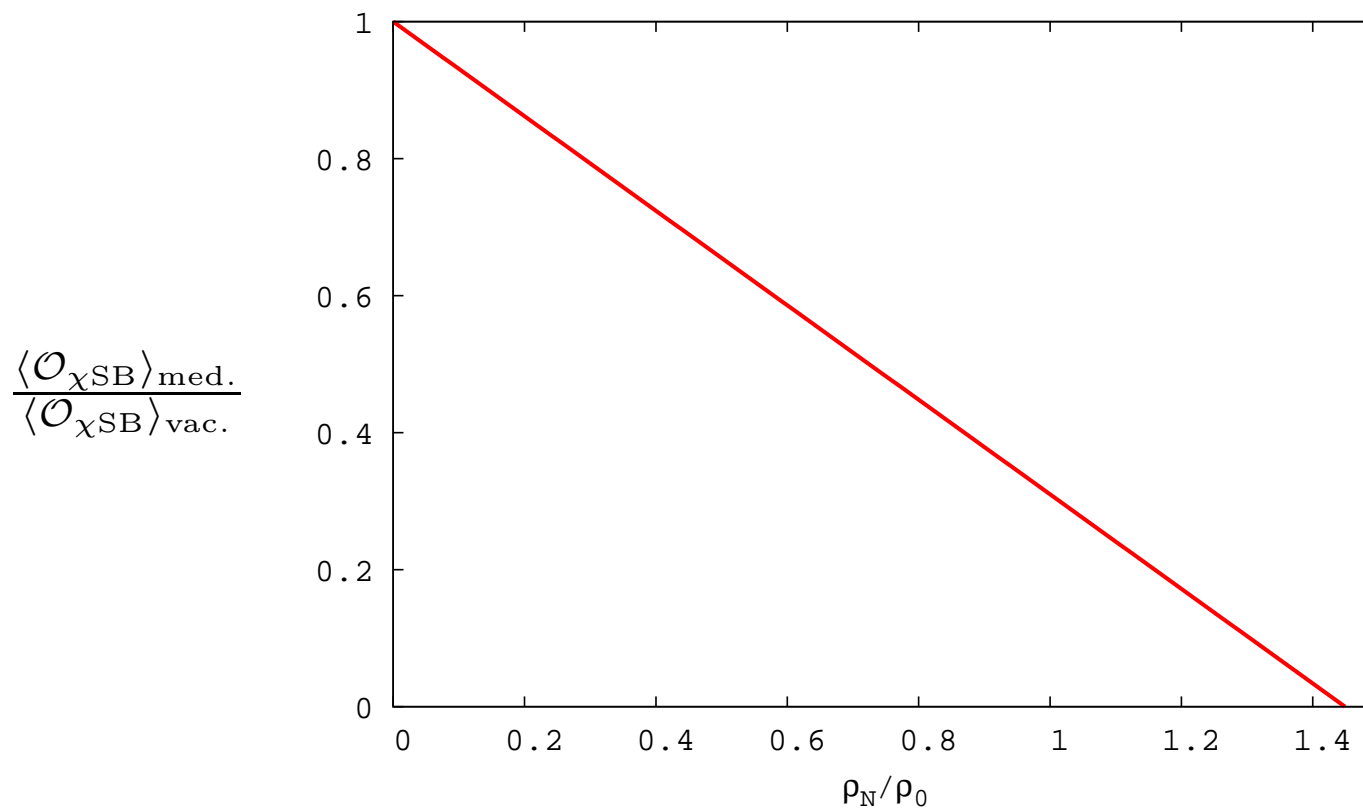
with **nucleon sigma term** $\sigma_N \approx 45$ MeV defined by

$$\sigma_N = 2m_q \langle N | \bar{q}q | N \rangle$$

drop of condensate as function of **baryo-chemical potential**



drop of condensate as function of nucleon density



presumably effects beyond linear-density approximation become important
at least above ρ_0

Appropriate for which **chemical potentials**/**temperatures**?

$$\rho_B \sim e^{-(M_B - \mu)/T}, \quad \rho_M \sim e^{-M_M/T}$$

- $M_B = O(N_c)$, $M_M = O(1)$

1. $\mu, T = O(1)$

$\hookrightarrow \rho_B \sim e^{-N_c} \quad (\ll 1/N_c \text{ for large } N_c)$

\hookrightarrow baryonic contribution **even suppressed!**

2. $\mu \sim O(N_c)$, $T = O(1)$

$\hookrightarrow \rho_B = O(1)$, no suppression

- also without N_c -counting:

for $\mu > M_N - T$ **enhancement** of baryons relative to (heavy) mesons

\hookrightarrow appropriate for **large chemical potentials** and **temperatures**
(for T too small: no resonances, only nucleons)

exchange terms are always **subleading** in $1/N_c$:

$$\overline{q_i \Gamma q_i} \overline{q_j \Gamma' q_j} \rightarrow \delta_{ii} \delta_{jj} = N_c^2$$

whereas

$$\overline{q_i \Gamma q_i} \overline{q_j \Gamma' q_j} \rightarrow \delta_{ij} \delta_{ij} = N_c$$

Four-quark condensates in vacuum:

Determination from QCD sum rules **possible?**

Finite energy sum rules for ρ -meson (somewhat oversimplified ...):

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{s_0} ds \operatorname{Im} R^{\text{RES}}(s) = \frac{N_c}{24\pi^2} \left(1 + \frac{\bar{\alpha}_s}{\pi} \right) s_0 ,$$

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sum rules have intrinsic uncertainties due to simplifications

↪ insert reasonable values and attribute 5% uncertainty (for mass, ...)

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$$17 \pm 1.7 \approx 18 \pm 1.8$$

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$$1. \pm 0.2 \approx 1.2 \pm 0.2 - 0.05$$

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$$6. \pm 2. \approx 10. \pm 3. - 0.3$$

standard/easy: determination of hadronic parameters from sum rules

complicated: determination of condensates from physical spectrum